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House Bill 1134

By: Representatives Heckstall of the 62nd, Williams of the 89th, and Jordan of the 77th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Chapter 7 of Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor
- 2 carriers, so as to provide for required equipment in taxicabs; to provide that taxicab operators
- 3 shall require photo identification before accepting a passenger; to provide that a taxicab
- 4 owner or operator may install a monitoring camera in a taxicab; to provide that such
- 5 provisions shall not preempt any local regulations not in conflict with such provisions; to
- 6 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 SECTION 1.

- 9 Chapter 7 of Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor carriers,
- 10 is amended by revising Article 5, which is reserved, as follows:
- 11 "ARTICLE 5
- 12 "<u>46-7-10</u>0.
- Reserved. (a) All taxicabs operated in this state shall be equipped with the following:
- 14 (1) A bulletproof shield between the passenger compartment and the driver's
- compartment;
- 16 (2) A global positioning satellite tracking unit and monitoring system showing the
- 17 <u>taxicab's location at all times; and</u>
- 18 (3) A locking device allowing the taxicab operator remotely to control the locking and
- 19 <u>unlocking of the passenger compartment doors.</u>
- 20 (b) Any taxicab operator shall require a passenger to display photo identification before
- 21 <u>allowing such passenger to enter the taxicab.</u>
- 22 (c) Any taxicab owner or operator may, at his or her option, install a monitoring camera
- in the taxicab.

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1 (d) This Code section shall not affect any local regulation of taxicabs that are not in

2 <u>conflict with the provisions of this Code section.</u>"

3 SECTION 2.

4 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.